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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I believe the current settlement offer between the Department of Justice and Microsoft is inappropriate and irresponsible. There is no part of it that inspires confidence in its ability to change Microsoft's business practices. In fact, the new Windows XP operating system release shows more of the 'same old story' from Microsoft. Even their recent lawsuit against Lindows shows their dedication to driving out competition with the same ruthlessness they used to drive Be Inc. out of business years ago.

In a time of an uncertain political climate, uncertain economy and dicey international relations it is no time to encourage trouble at home by allowing an illegal monopoly in what has become an exceedingly important faucet of modern life.

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